## **WORLD PHARMACIST DAY 2019 - Report**

Faculty of Pharmacy, Integral University, celebrated "World Pharmacist Day" on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019 by organizing different cultural and scientific programme. The theme of the programme was 'Safe and Effective Medicines for All'. Pharmacists being an integral part of the healthcare system are responsible for the development, management and use of the medication.

All the guests were welcomed with mortar and pestle accompanied with natural medicines as token of thanks. The programme commenced with the inaugural speech of Prof. (Dr.) Syed Misbahul Hasan, Dean, Faculty of Pharmacy who emphasized on role of pharmacists in India and globally. He threw light on the 3Rs of the pharmacist's role- *Right Drug* and *Right Dose* for the *Right Duration*.





The programme was presided over by Prof. Syed Waseem Akhtar, Founder and Chancellor, Integral University, who addressed the congregation, and discussed the development of the medicine from the ancient times to the modern era. He described the role of pharmacist in developmental stages of pharmacy profession globally and congratulated the pharmacy students for serving the society.

Chief Guest, Prof. Neelima Gupta, Vice Chancellor, CSJM University, Kanpur in her speech focused on the need for a targeted drug delivery system. She stressed on the role of pharmacists in the process from designing of a new molecule to healthcare.

Prof. Aqil Ahmad, Vice chancellor, Integral University opined that majority of the population live in rural area and have budgetary constraint. He urged the pharmacist not only go for drug development but also empathise with the patient.

Dr. Abdul Samad, Director, CIMAP, Lucknow stated that Indian medicine system is old and effective system recognized all over the world and Pharmacists has a vital role in protecting the patient from the side effects of the medicine.

Prof. Asad U. Khan, Head, Department of Interdisciplinary Biotechnology, AMU, Aligarh emphasized on the global health issue due to antimicrobial resistance. He stated that every individual has a set of microorganisms and every medicine act according to this condition and focused on personalized and repurposing of medicines.

After inaugural function there was a cultural presentation by the students followed by a scientific session which included Prescripto and Pharma Quest. Students had shown their skills related to different aspects of Pharmacy education and its applications by participating in different events.



Prescripto consisted of three rounds. Round 1 was based on clinical cases and multiple choice questions were asked. This round was joined by 21 teams, each team consisted of 3 participants. Six teams were screened out into the next rounds. Round 2 emphasized on clinical case study based videos. Round 3 focused on the prescription study by the teams. On the basis of cumulative scores of round 2 and 3, Team of Ajmal Tarique Hussain, Abdul Kayum Ansari, Zeeshan Ahmad Siddiqui bagged the first prize and Team of Laiba Rind, Gazala Noor, Rabiya Ahsan got the second prize and Team of Sayyed Shahwar Anwar, Rufaida Waseem, Sameeksha Saxena secured the third prize.

Pharma Quest consisted of two rounds. Preliminary round was participated by 32 teams consisting of 6 members each. Five teams were selected for the final round and team of Modh Maaz Khan, Mohd.Saif, Abu Raihan, Sahiba Khatoon, Supriya Pandey and Anayatullah won the first prize. Team of Mohd Imran, Md Asif, Mohammad Arif, Nadeem Ahmad, Mohammad Qamar Khan, Sankalp Singh got the second prize and team of Mohammad Rizwan, Irfan Chaudhary, Akash Kumar, Sadiya Perween, Charul Jain, Mohd. Ashhab secured the third prize.



The programme concluded with memento presentation and vote of thanks presented by Dr. Tarique Mahmood, Head of the Department.